



Public Accommodations Phase Two Reopening Strategy in Response to COVID-19

June 1, 2020

Montanans have succeeded in limiting the spread and impacts of COVID-19 by working together and following guidance that has been provided. This has presented an opportunity to move to Phase 2 of the Reopening the Big Sky strategy. A directive issued by the governor on May 19 specifically allows for the lifting of the travel quarantine restrictions. Please note the following **requirements** for Phase Two beginning **Monday, June 1, 2020**:

1. Assess the health of all employees at the beginning of each shift. Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 must be sent home. These include cough, difficulty breathing, fever, repeated shaking with chills, chills, body aches, headache, sore throat and new loss of taste or smell.
2. Physical distancing of 6 feet must be maintained between customer groups. This may require:
 - a. A reduction in capacity;
 - b. A reduction of seating in service and waiting areas;
 - c. Management of waiting areas and waiting lines; or
 - d. Systems that reduce the amount of contact time between customers and staff.
3. Strongly encourage or require the use of a face mask for staff and encourage masks for customers.
4. Close common areas where personnel are likely to congregate and interact, or enforce strict social distancing protocols.
5. Self-service breakfast buffets must remain closed.

Lewis and Clark Public Health has the following **additional guidance** to help protect staff and customers from disease.

1. **Develop a written plan** to manage Phase Two operations. Be sure to address any issues unique to your operations and location.
2. **Support respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene** for employees and customers.
 - a. Utilize cloth face masks that fully cover the mouth and nose.
 - i. A cloth face covering will help contain any respiratory droplets from the wearer and protect other people in case you are infected. You could spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick.
 - ii. The cloth face cover is not a substitute for social distancing and good personal hygiene.

- iii. You can make cloth face coverings at home or purchase them. If you want to make your own face mask, links to reliable sources for patterns can be found on our web page. www.lccountymt.gov/covid-19
- b. Provide tissues and no touch disposal receptacles throughout the facility.
- c. Provide hand washing facilities with soap and water and single use towels. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- d. Place hand sanitizers in multiple locations to encourage hand hygiene.
- e. Discourage handshaking and encourage the use of other noncontact methods of greeting.
3. Implement **Engineering Controls** as appropriate for your business (those things that do not require action by the employee) which can include:
 - a. Installing physical barriers, such as clear plastic sneeze guards.
 - b. Installing high-efficiency air filters.
 - c. Increasing ventilation rates in the work environment.
1. **Routinely clean** all surfaces occupied by your customer. In addition, clean all frequently touched surfaces, such as such doorknobs, handrails, and light switches. Use the cleaning agents that you usually use in these areas, and follow the directions on the labels. A list of sanitizers effective for COVID-19 is located on the EPA website: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>. Be sure to **strictly follow specified contact times and mix rates**.

If you have questions or need technical assistance, please call Lewis & Clark Public Health at 457-8900. Thank you for implementing a plan that will further protect our community from COVID-19.

If you suspect Coronavirus, contact your provider.

For a link to this document and other information: www.lccountymt.gov/covid-19